

LCC Ice Skating Club

LCCISC Parent/ Guardian/ Other Code of Ethics and Guidelines

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The LCCISC Parent/ Guardian/ Other Code of Ethics and Guidelines is an internal policy document which is to be read and applied in conjunction with the following documents:

- Code of Ethics and Behaviour BMP-1001-V1. (ISA);
- Member Protection Policy - V7 (30/9/13) (ISA); and
- LCCISC Skater Code of Ethics and Guidelines (LCCISC).

In November 2012, the Council of New South Wales Ice Skating Association (NSWISA) voted to adopt the ISA Member Protection Policy. All Liverpool LCCISC skaters are thus bound by the ISA regulations as well as the LCCISC Constitution.

Common sense, courtesy and respect for others should apply at all times. Parents/ guardians/ all other people directly and indirectly involved with LCCISC are to comply with the following expectations:

1. Behavioural Expectations

- a) Encourage your skater to participate, but do not pressure them.
- b) Remember that skating is for pleasure and fulfilment – not yours. Encourage your skater to have fun while skating.
- c) Be sure to inform your skater's coach or LCCISC Official of any physical disability/ ailment that may affect the safety of your skater or the safety of others.
- d) Encourage your skater at all times, being mindful not to criticise their efforts.
- e) Remember that skating is a skill acquired over many years. Do not expect your skater to master skills instantly.
- f) Support all efforts made by your skater, not just when they succeed.
- g) Ensure your skater is aware of the rules set by ISA & NSWISA, and teach them to abide by them.
- h) Respect official's decisions and teach your skater to do the same.
- i) Never ridicule or yell at your skater or any other participant for making a mistake or blame your skater's team mates for competition placements.
- j) Applaud every effort made by your skater, both in victory and defeat. Have the ability to emphasise their achievements as well as learning from their mistakes.
- k) Teach your skater to resolve conflicts positively without hostility or violence, or foul language. Respect others including judges, coaches and other skaters.
- l) Never publicly question the judges' integrity of decisions.
- m) Ensure your skater is free of any performance enhancing drugs or other substances that are prohibited by the NSW Anti-Doping Policy (refer to LCCISC website for link).
- n) Have realistic expectations of your skater – do not expect more that he / she is capable of giving.
- o) Be courteous towards judges, officials, other guests and spectators – regardless of race, creed, colour, sexual orientation or ability.
- p) Assist in the running of events in any way possible. There is a role for everyone to play in providing help at each event. Volunteering ensures that all events can continue to be held and to run smoothly for the benefit of your skater.

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- q) At all times demonstrate appropriate behaviour while at the rink, i.e. NEVER EXHIBIT abusive behaviour towards other parents, coaches, judges, officials or other skaters.
- r) Familiarise yourself with the Club's policies on social media. Monitor your child/ren's use of social media and ensure that postings are appropriate and family-friendly.
- s) Skaters are not to be coached on the ice by anyone other than an accredited coach. Parents/ guardians/ caregivers may provide comfort as needed (e.g. if a child is crying, upset or injured) or to address their skater's behaviour (behaving badly, distracting others or similar).
- t) Where there is an issue on the ice, refer it to your skater's coach. If their coach is not in attendance, refer the matter to the head coach or a LCCISC Committee member on duty for resolution.

The LCCISC Committee resolves to handle complaints with fairness and impartiality. Breaches may result in disciplinary action being taken in accordance with the LCCISC constitution. Skaters are welcome to bring their concerns to a committee member if they need assistance in dealing with an issue or have general concerns.

2. References

- a) Ice Skating Australia www.isa.org.au
- b) New South Wales Ice Skating Association www.nswisa.com
- c) LCC Ice Skating Club www.lccisc.com.au
- d) Liverpool Catholic Club www.liverpoolcatholic.com.au
- e) Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) www.asada.gov.au
- f) NSW Office of the Children's Guardian www.kidsafe.gov.au

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